

Application No. 10/706,957

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Attached is a new formal drawing of Figure 1, accompanied by a Letter to the Official Draftsperson. In Figure 1, reference number --4-- has been added.

REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-6 would be allowable if amended to overcome the objections set forth in the outstanding Office Action.

Drawings

Applicant has amended Figure 1, as illustrated on the attached formal drawing, accompanied by a Letter to the Official Draftsperson. Figure 1 was amended to add reference number --4--. No "new matter" has been added to the original disclosure by the amendment to this figure. It is believed that the foregoing proposed amendment obviates the outstanding objections to the drawings. Entry of the corrected drawing is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has objected to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(p)(5) insofar as reference number 53, disclosed on page 4, line 6 of the specification, has not been illustrated. Since the specification has been amended to change reference number "53" to read --63--, it is not believed that any drawing corrections are necessary.

It is noted that no Patent Drawing Review (Form PTO-948) was received with the outstanding Office Action. Thus, except for the above proposed drawing corrections, Applicant must assume that the drawings are acceptable as filed.

Amendments to Specification

Applicant has amended the specification as noted above to change reference number "53" to read --63--. No "new matter" has been added to the original disclosure by the foregoing amendments to the specification.

Claim Amendments

By this Amendment, Applicant has amended claim 1 to obviate the objections set forth in the outstanding Office Action. It is believed that amended claim 1 now specifically sets forth each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Since claims 1-6 have been indicated as being allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the objection(s) set forth in the outstanding Office Action, no detailed discussion of the cited prior art references is believed to be necessary.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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